temporary employment shall not be in a regularly allocated position and shall not in any consecutive twelve (12) month period be in excess of six (6) months of full-time employment or its equivalence in part-time employment. THE ANNUAL EARNINGS OF A SERVICE PENSIONER SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIS RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE, AT THE TIME OF HIS RETIREMENT, AND HIS AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

## **CHAPTER 368**

(Senate Bill 229)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 21 (1) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Supplement), title "Pensions," subtitle "Employees of Municipal Corporations," to permit employees of the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc. to Ilbecome retroactively eligible for participation in the Maryland Employees' Retirement System; and clarifying the wording of this section. Il participate in the Maryland Employees' Retirement System.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 21 (1) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Supplement), title "Pensions," subtitle "Employees of Municipal Corporations," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

21.

(1) "Municipal corporation" means county, incorporated town or municipality or special taxing area or other political subdivision of the State, including any public library association or organization and any fire department receiving part or all of its funds from or through any such county, town, municipality, special taxing area or other political subdivision of the State, and also including any board or commission created by an act of the General Assembly for public purpose and not for the profit of any private person or corporation. The Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, a cooperative library corporation, [and] the Upper Potomac River Commission AND THE TRI-COUNTY COUNCIL FOR WESTERN MARYLAND, INC. shall EACH be considered to be a municipal corporation for the purpose of participation in the Employees' Retirement System. If a municipal corporation ceases to meet the definition of "municipal corporation" by virtue of any public general or public local law, any employee thereof who has been a member of the retirement system may continue membership in the system at the employee's election if the employer's contribution, as required herein, continues to be made pursuant to this article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.